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Please note the phone number for Council Member Lori Barnett Dodson has been corrected on page 2. It is 214-334-4533.

Garland City Council Approves 2012-13 Operating Budget



The Garland City Council approved the City's 2012-13 Operating Budget in September. Priorities for this budget included maintaining current service levels without raising property taxes, and providing employee compensation increases to the extent funding allows.

"I am very proud that this Council has a strong vision that supports these priorities while keeping a close eye on the changing economic climate," said Garland Mayor Ronald E. Jones. "It is important that we continue to proceed cautiously from an economic standpoint."

Garland's overall tax base has continued to experience modest declines; however, sales taxes and other revenues are trending upward.

The approved budget continues the implementation of the rate strategy begun by the City Council in 2009-10

for the Water Utility. Water rates will increase \$3.30 a month based on an average usage of 8,000 gallons a month. The monthly rate for solid waste collection will increase by one dollar. Rates will remain at current levels for electric, wastewater and stormwater.

The new budget includes a modest amount of funding to address employee compensation, providing for a one-time lump sum payment for most employees while keeping base salaries the same.

The General Fund budget totals \$136.4 million, an increase of 2.9% from the previous year. The combined budget includes the General Fund, General Obligation Debt Service Fund, Utility Funds, and other Enterprise and Grant Funds and totals \$572.5 million. That total reflects an increase of 11% from the previous year, which is mostly due to increased costs for power supply from the Texas Municipal Power Agency.

City to Host 10th Annual Neighborhood Summit Oct. 27

Garland is proud to host the 10th edition of its annual Neighborhood Summit from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Curtis Culwell Center, 4999 Naaman Forest Blvd. This year's emphasis is on celebrating the many stories Garland neighborhoods tell. Earlier this year, Garland's Office of Neighborhood Vitality conducted a competition to encourage neighborhoods to share those stories. Honorees from that competition will be recognized during the summit.

The summit will include several concurrent breakout sessions, which will feature neighborhood stories from several Garland groups, neighborhood improvement ideas from the Strategy for Vital Neighborhoods, and presentations from various City departments spotlighting available services and programs for neighborhoods. The following neighborhood revitalization practitioners will serve as panelists:

- **Susan Hill** from Houston has more than 20 years' experience in grassroots community capacity-building.
- **Ethan Kent** has spent 30 years helping people improve places in their communities. His Project for Public Spaces program offers a unique community-based approach to revitalization.
- **Robert Thompson** works for the City of Minneapolis Neighborhood and Community Relations Department and the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program.
- **Tina Moore-Council** is with the "I Am Pleased Development Center" of Houston.

Registration for the Neighborhood Summit is \$15 for Garland stakeholders and \$20 for participants outside of Garland. Registration includes a continental breakfast and lunch. The price will increase by \$5 after Oct. 12. For details, visit GarlandTx.gov or call 972-205-2108.

Christmas on the Square

Save the Date

5:30 to 9:30 p.m. | Dec. 6

Downtown Garland at State and Main Streets



Garland's annual Christmas on the Square event will feature a variety of free activities and entertainment options in Downtown Garland, highlighted by the official tree-lighting ceremony and fireworks display.

Holiday music will be provided by Garland ISD choirs, while lights and décor will create a magical atmosphere. Lights will surround City Hall and may be seen by horse-drawn carriage rides that will take guests past Heritage Park. Sled down snow hills made with real snow and participate in various children's crafts and activities. Take advantage of the shopping opportunities at the Christmas Bazaar where artisans will feature unique holiday gift items. Food selections will include hot drinks and seasonal treats.

No Christmas event would be complete without a visit from Santa! Join in as Santa leads the countdown to turn on the lights and start the fireworks show around 7 p.m. Immediately afterward, children will have the opportunity to get their picture taken with Santa and tell him their Christmas wishes.

Christmas on the Square is a community event and volunteers are always welcome. For more information on how to volunteer, contact Jasmine Lee at 972-205-3896 or jlee@GarlandTx.gov. For event information, visit ChristmasOnTheSquare.com.

Garland Announces New Leadership for GP&L

The City of Garland has promoted from within to appoint the new managing director of Garland Power & Light (GP&L). City Manager William E. Dollar named Jeff Janke to the position, following the retirement of Ray Schwertner. He also joins the City Manager's Senior Management Team.

Janke began his 34-year career in the electric utility industry with Texas Power & Light Company in 1978. For 25 years he held various positions in accounting, distribution and transmission, management, and rates and regulatory. After the merger with Lone Star Gas Company, he also served as District Manager for the gas distribution division. In 2003, he became a member of the GP&L management team.

"Jeff has the background and experience to guide GP&L through the many changes the electric industry will continue to experience in the coming years," said Dollar. "He helped begin several initiatives that will benefit the City and is the right man to build on those advancements."

Janke has a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management. He has chaired four Chambers of Commerce, one Airport Advisory Board, two Economic Development Boards, one United Way Board, and two Lions Clubs. In 1998 he was selected Citizen of the Year for Decatur, Texas.



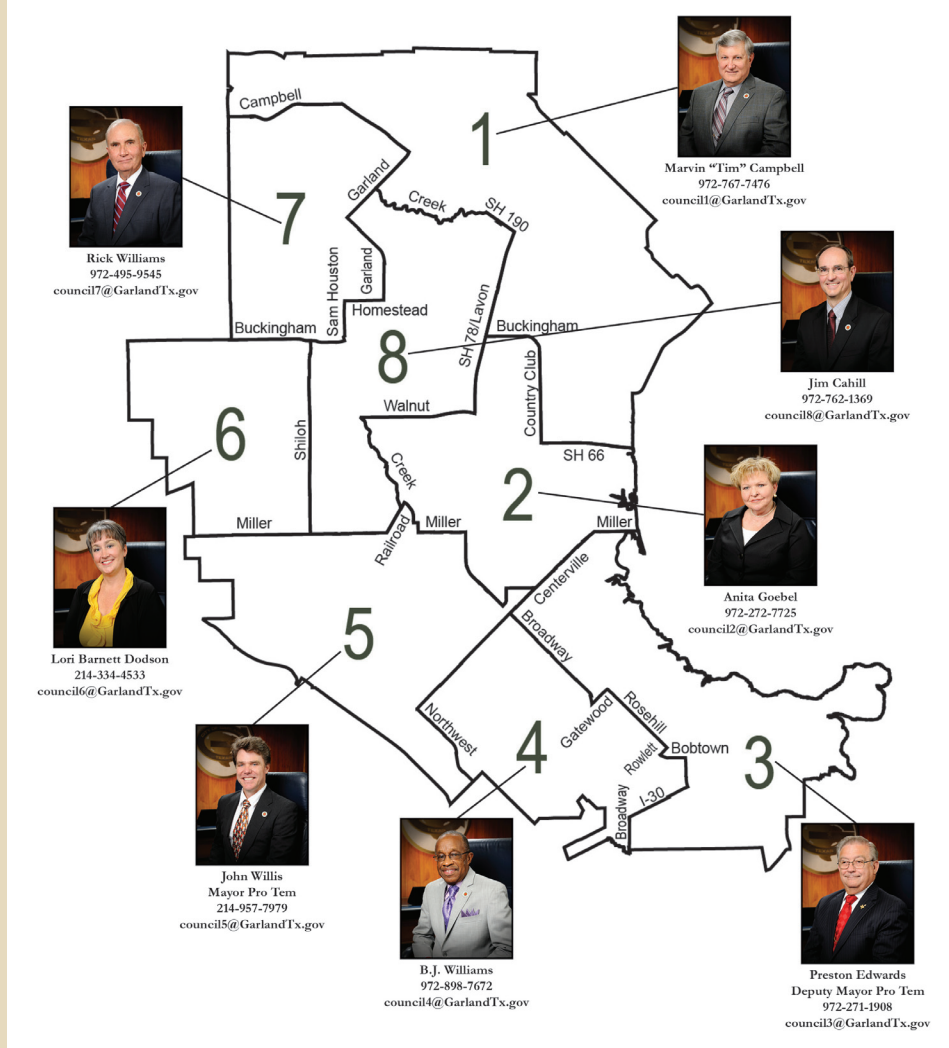
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City Council District Map



City Council Meetings

Garland City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 200 N. Fifth St. Meetings are broadcast online through live streaming and on-demand, and air on CGTV with several rebroadcasts during the week of the meeting. Visit GarlandTx.gov or watch CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable) or Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS).

Message from the Mayor



Mayor Ronald E. Jones
972-205-2400
mayor@GarlandTx.gov

This past September, the City of Garland hosted two important community events that I had the pleasure of attending—the fifth annual Healthy Living Expo and the We The People, For The People Conference. Both events were extremely successful...bringing the Garland community together to celebrate and promote some of the many things that make our city unique including living a safe and healthy lifestyle, and embracing our diversity while enhancing education and senior service opportunities. Approximately 3,500 attended the Expo and 170 participated in the H2O 5K run. As of press time the official numbers were not available for the Conference; however, hundreds benefited from the many workshops and information booths that were available, and the Naturalization Ceremony welcomed 36 new U.S. citizens. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many community leaders who served on various committees and volunteered countless hours of their time in preparation of these events. Their hard work and dedication are an important part of what makes these events so successful and we could not do it without them. Below are some photos from both events.



2012-13 District Updates

Each year, City Council members host a District Update presentation on CGTV to provide updates on important developments and issues concerning their districts. Upcoming presentations will be held at 7 p.m. on CGTV Channel 16 (Time Warner Cable) and Channel 44 (Verizon FIOS) on the following dates:

Oct. 9

- Preston Edwards, District 3
- B.J. Williams, District 4

Nov. 13

- John Willis, District 5
- Lori Dodson, District 6

Dec. 11

- Rick Williams, District 7
- Jim Cahill, District 8

CGTV also is streamed live at GarlandTx.gov.



CGTV Listings

City Council Meetings

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m.
Oct. 1 and 16, Nov. 6 and 20
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Wednesday – 9 a.m., Friday – 7 p.m.,
Saturday and Sunday – 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

City Council Work Sessions

- Live broadcast – 6 p.m.
Oct. 1 and 15, Nov. 5 and 19
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.
Wednesday and Thursday – 7 p.m.

Plan Commission

- Live broadcast – 7 p.m.,
Oct. 8 and 22, Nov. 12 and 26
- Rebroadcast following the meeting
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9 a.m.

Billboard

- Daily schedule posted at GarlandTx.gov

Meeting dates and times subject to change.

New Record Search Feature Available Online



Need to know how your property is zoned, or where you can put a new fence? Now you can look at zoning information, plats, or engineering record drawings on the web. Visit GarlandTx.gov, click "Programs and Initiatives," then "Development Permitting Center." There you will see a link to "Record Search."

Once there, accept the disclaimer to gain access to all of the electronic files that are currently available.

For questions or assistance searching the system, call the Planning Department at 972-205-2445.

City Holiday Schedule: Thanksgiving

City Offices (including Utility Customer Service) – Closed Nov. 22-23

Libraries – Will close at 6 p.m. Nov. 21; Closed Nov. 22-23

Recreation and Senior Centers – Will close at 5 p.m. Nov. 21; Closed Nov. 22-23

Environmental Waste Services – Offices closed Nov. 22-23; No garbage, recycling or brush collections Nov. 22; Thursday collection routes will resume on Friday, and Friday routes will resume on Saturday.

Recycling Center – Closed Nov. 22; Open Nov. 23 and 24 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Transfer Station – Closed Nov. 22; Open Nov. 23 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.); Closed Nov. 24

C.M. Hinton, Jr. Regional Landfill and Wood Recycling Facility – Closed Nov. 22; Open Nov. 23 and 24 (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)



Youth Council Begins 2012-13 Activities



The newest appointees to the Garland Youth Council (GYC) have hit the ground running for 2012-13. In September, the GYC served as teen ambassadors during State Farm's Celebrate My Drive event in Frisco, encouraging teens to become safer drivers. The GYC also hosted a booth at Garland's Healthy Living Expo to collect safe driving pledges and testimonials from teens and adults.

The GYC meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F. Special topics are scheduled for each meeting. All Garland area youth are invited to participate in GYC meetings and activities. To find out more, visit GarlandYouthCouncil.org or like the GYC's Facebook page.

GYC appointees must be Garland residents. This year's appointees are as follows: Chelsea Balanciere, Kylie Beene, Katie Brown, Allen Capasgordo, Kenny Dao, Seth Fernandez, Leah Gattus, Kelsy Duke Kenison, Mindy Le, Alex Luna, Morgan Manning, Alexandra Nelson, Lauren Purser, Gabrielle Reed, Aaquila Runyan, Stephanie Samuel, Elizabeth Sinclair, Angela Starnes, Dylan Stooksberry and Diego Valderrama.

Environmental Waste Services Briefs

Single Stream Recycling Update

Single stream recycling has been a successful program since implementation in late June. Overall recycling tonnage, which includes both automated and manual single stream collection, was up 14% through August. One of the biggest changes in the single stream program is that residents are no longer required to separate paper goods and other recyclables, and residents can recycle more plastics, including plastics No. 1-7, except No. 6, which includes Styrofoam packing material, cups, plates, and food clamshell. In addition, residents in the manual collection areas using red bins may place overflow recycling in clear or white plastic bags and set the bags beside the red bin for collection. Recycle More now...it's easier than ever, just mix it together.

Recycle
More
NOW

Create and Celebrate Beautiful Places

More than 200 Garland residents worked to beautify areas around the city and picked up litter at the Create and Celebrate Beautiful Places event in September. One of the key beautification projects was at Harmony House on Southwood Street. Keep Garland Beautiful volunteers created a planting bed with fall flowers and spruced up the outside of the community building. Following the morning litter collection and beautification projects, volunteers were treated to a downtown block party. Create and Celebrate Beautiful Places was a joint project between the Office of Neighborhood Vitality, Environmental Waste Services, Stormwater Department and Keep Garland Beautiful. All participants will be recognized at the Neighborhood Summit on Oct. 27.

City Expands Neighborhood Police Officer Program to Enhance Public Safety Efforts



To enhance public safety, and streamline communication and coordination efforts, the Garland Police Department has expanded its Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO) Unit from an authorized level of 17 officers and two lieutenants to include:

- 26 officers (one officer for every police district)
- Three lieutenants
- One captain

The expansion was made possible by reallocating existing personnel resources. The Gang Unit and Street-Level Narcotics Unit were merged into the NPO Unit to help better enforce crime in Garland, including illegal narcotic activity and criminal gang activity. NPO's already deal with gang and narcotics activity on a regular basis, and this change formalized the process and enhanced the department's efforts in those areas. The expansion also allows for improved communication and efficiency between residents and their Neighborhood Police Officer.

The mission of the NPO Unit remains the same. The expansion allows each NPO to focus on the same crime-related problems that arise in the neighborhoods in which they work. Neighborhood police officers continue to work closely with crime watch groups, neighborhood associations, apartment managers and residents to help build community partnerships. In addition, NPOs and Garland residents continue to work together toward the common goal of reducing crime, reducing the fear of crime, and eliminating the criminal element in Garland neighborhoods.

For more information, visit GarlandPolice.com and select "Neighborhood Police Officers" under "Unit & Division Profiles," or call 972-485-4881.

City Partners with Apartment Property to Develop Recycling Program



Through a cooperative venture between Environmental Waste Services (EWS) and the property management at Oaks at 5th Street Crossing, a downtown residential rental community, residents can now recycle their bottles, cans, paper, cardboard and plastic onsite at their apartment property.

When the apartment management team considered the onsite recycling proposal, they requested EWS develop an easy solution for their residents. EWS

designed and delivered customized tote bags so that each resident would have a lightweight, easy to use container for collecting their recycling. In keeping with the message of recycling, the tote bags are made from recycled plastic bottles. When the bag is full, residents take the contents to centrally placed recycling bins. The recycling is collected weekly by EWS. The Oaks team and EWS also are working to advertise, educate and encourage participation of all tenants.

"Our mighty Oaks associates and residents are proud of their beautiful apartment homes and the superior service they receive," said Manager Brigitte Boetsch. "And this new recycling service is just one more example of why people choose Oaks at 5th Street Crossing."

For more information about Garland's commercial recycling options, call Page Nelson, commercial sales representative, at 972-205-3742 or email pnelson@GarlandTx.gov.

Composting Class Set for Nov. 10

Stressed about yard work piling up and the upcoming holidays? Take a break, relax and learn the basics of turning that garden and yard debris into garden gold through composting.

The fall Compost 101 class will be held from 8:15 to 11:45 a.m. Nov. 10 at 1434 Commerce Street. The class will cover the common ingredients needed to create a compost pile, what to leave out, and how to mix, moisten and manage a successful backyard compost pile.

And don't forget to put the worms to work! Learn how to use specialized red worms to compost food waste and use the rich soil amendment to benefit plants.

Sponsored by the Environmental Waste Services Department, the class is free for Garland residents and is limited to 50 participants. Register online at GarlandEnvironmentalWaste.com or call 972-205-3500.

Door prizes will be awarded at the end of class and will include drawings for five take-home compost bins.



Proper Pool Drainage

Residents with pools are reminded that illegal draining of a pool could pollute local creeks, streams and lakes. When swimming pool water runs down the street and into the storm drain, the pollutants in the water could cause problems for the aquatic animals living in local waters. Garland City ordinance requires all owners of



pools, hot tubs or spas drain them into a sanitary sewer, not into grass, alleys, streets or storm drains. To report storm water pollution, call the Stormwater Hotline at 972-205-2180.

Sanitary Sewer Main Testing

Through the month of October, the Water Department will perform smoke tests on sanitary sewer mains. Smoke testing of the sanitary sewer system is conducted to identify potential rainwater sources by blowing low pressure, non-toxic, non-staining smoke into a section of sewer line. Smoke emissions from manholes and from the ground indicate defects in manholes, sewer mains, and sewer laterals through which rainwater may enter the sewer. Reducing the amount of rainwater that enters the sanitary sewer pipes reduces the cost of treatment at the two wastewater treatment plants.

Test boundaries are Walnut Street on the north; Lavon Drive, Garvon Street and Hopkins Street on the east, Avenue F on the south, and Twelfth Street on the west. A door hanger will be delivered three days in advance to streets where smoke testing will occur. Since rain or high winds reduce the effectiveness of the testing, a test area may be postponed. Residents will be notified if defects are found on private property.

What to Do: Abatement Liens

Abatement liens are filed when a property owner fails to pay for work the City provided to take care of his/her property according to the City of Garland Code of Ordinances. This includes failure to mow, trim, clean, remove debris, repair, and other miscellaneous work. These properties may be subject to further action.

For a listing of property owners with open abatement liens visit:

GarlandTx.gov
(select Online Services)

972-205-2696

Property status also may be checked by visiting the Dallas County Clerk's Office at RoamDallasPropertyRecords.com.

Neighborhood Survey Seeks Resident Input

As part of the Neighborhood Benchmarking Program, the City of Garland will conduct a survey of 21 neighborhoods this fall. Surveys will be mailed to a random selection of residents within the neighborhoods shown on the map at right.

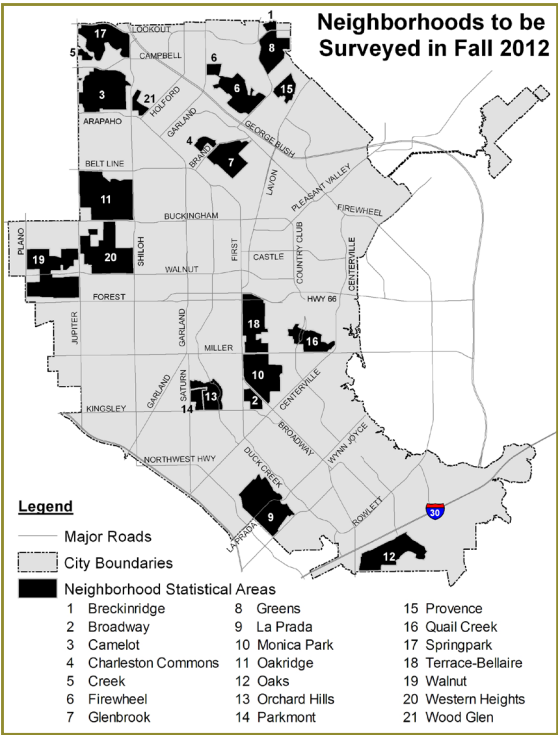
Residents may choose to submit survey responses via mail or online. By responding to the survey online, residents can help the City reduce postage and processing costs. Residents also may select their preferred language—English or Spanish. Surveys mailed to randomly selected residents will include login information necessary to complete the survey online. The login information is important to identify a respondent’s neighborhood.

Residents that receive a survey in the mail are encouraged to submit responses by the deadline indicated on the survey. Participation in the survey enables the City to:

- Gauge resident satisfaction with City services.
- Monitor neighborhood conditions and change over time.
- Equip City Management and City Council with information for better decision-making.
- Guide the allocation of resources throughout the City based upon needs.

Survey participation also supports the Strategy for Vital Neighborhoods program, which seeks to bring community stakeholders together in partnership to coordinate resources to build attractive, vital neighborhoods. It also supports neighbors in creating and achieving the desired vision for their area. Participation in the survey provides all partners with the resources necessary to make all of Garland’s neighborhoods vital places to live, work and play.

For more information, contact Organizational Development at 972-205-2511.



Garland Neighborhood Management Academy

The Garland Neighborhood Management Academy (GNMA) provides training on a variety of topics important to all neighbors. Classes are open to residents, businesses, property owners and Garland service providers.

- **Nov. 8** – The Nuts & Bolts of a Neighborhood Association
- **Nov. 13** – Conflict Resolution
- **Dec. 11**– Planning and Implementing a Neighborhood Vitality Project

To register, call 972-205-2445 or email gnmaclass@GarlandTx.gov. To get news neighbors can use, sign up to receive the Neighborhood Chatter Newsletter by emailing tallmend@GarlandTx.gov.



Garland Fair Housing: Did You Know?

- In 1997 The City of Garland adopted a Fair Housing Ordinance based on the Federal Fair Housing Act. The ordinance is designed to prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, lending/finance and advertising of a housing unit because of a person's race, religion, color, sex, national origin, disability or familial status. In Garland, age also is included.
- Garland is one of only five cities in Texas that has a Fair Housing Assistance Program.
- City of Garland Fair Housing Services has education and outreach specialists available to facilitate presentations on numerous Fair Housing Issues, including but not limited to reasonable accommodations, modifications, and tenant's rights and responsibilities.

A Tenant's Rights and Responsibilities Workshop will be held 6 p.m. Oct. 18 at 232 Carver Drive, Bldg. 2. For more information or to register, call 972-205-3382.



Garland Fair Housing Services staff members Debi Garza and Pamela Harris provide information on fair housing at a resource fair in Dallas.

Leaders within school, civic, or faith-based organizations that would like to partner with Garland Fair Housing to educate those on the importance of maintaining fair housing may call 972-205-3300 for an appointment.



Do not pour fats, oils and grease down the drain.

To help reduce sewer overflows from blocked pipes:

- Allow fats, oils and grease to cool and solidify, and throw in trash.
- Wipe pans with paper towels.
- Take liquid cooking oil to the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center located at 11234 Plano Road.

To receive a free grease collection bag, call the Stormwater Hotline at 972-205-2180 and provide a name and address.

Animal Services News

Garland Pawsibilities, a local nonprofit group that supports the Garland Animal Shelter, held its annual Dog-A-Poolooza event in August that allows owners to swim their dogs at Holford Park Pool. The event promotes responsible pet ownership and raises money that Pawsibilities uses to support Garland Animal Services by hosting offsite adoption events. This year’s event raised more than \$4,000. The hard work of the Pawsibilities volunteers has resulted in the adoption of more than 300 animals from the Garland Animal Shelter since October 2011. Pawsibilities is always in need of volunteers and donations. Visit GarlandPawsibilities.org to see how you can help.



Special Thanks

Animal Services would like to extend a special thank you to residents and organizations that made donations to the Animal Shelter. All donations are used to sponsor animals for adoption or to provide care and comfort for animals.

Notable donations include:

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| • James Kennedy | \$50 |
| • Beth and Gary Pedersen | \$50 |
| • Barbara Urban | \$50 |
| • Camille Ussery | \$100 |



Specializing in Family Reunions

If your pet’s made the great escape, don’t forget to check the Garland Animal Shelter—a reunion just may be in store.

Search for lost and found animals at GarlandAnimalServices.org or stop by the shelter at 600 Tower St. Call 972-205-3570.





The City of Garland is dedicated to minimizing the loss of life and property associated with flooding events. Education and prevention are valuable and proven tools that help communities become resistant to these natural disasters. The City of Garland recognizes that its entire community is susceptible to flooding, not just those structures located within Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA). The following information has been provided to help inform property owners located within the SFHA flood-prone areas and other areas within Garland.

FLOOD HAZARD

Garland is subject to riverine flooding from Duck Creek, Rowlett Creek, Spring Creek, and their various streams. Most flooding events occur during the spring and summer months; however, severe flooding may be produced by rainfall events at any time. Garland has experienced numerous flooding events during the past century. After large floods in 1990 and 1991, the City partnered with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete a channel improvement project to Duck Creek. This project was completed in 1998 and resulted in the removal of more than 370 homes from the Special Flood Hazard Area.

Large floods also have occurred on Rowlett and Spring Creeks; however, these floods have not been as damaging as those along Duck Creek due in part to the strict land use controls in place for area development.

FLOOD INSURANCE

Federal flood insurance is highly recommended. Basic homeowner’s insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. The City of Garland participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which means that federally subsidized flood insurance is available to everyone in Garland. There is a 30-day waiting period before a policy becomes effective. Some people have purchased flood insurance because it was required by the bank or loan company when they obtained a mortgage or home improvement loan. Usually these policies cover the building’s structure and not the contents within. Remember that a flood insurance policy must be renewed each year.

The mandatory purchase requirement of flood insurance applies to all forms of federal or federally related financial assistance for buildings located in an SFHA. This requirement affects loans and grants for the purchase, construction, repair or improvement of any publicly or privately owned buildings in an

SFHA including machinery, equipment, fixtures and furnishings contained in such buildings. If a building is located in an SFHA, the agency or lender is required by law to have the recipient purchase a flood insurance policy on the building.

For more information about flood insurance, visit or contact GarlandTx.gov, FEMA.gov/nfip, The Nicholson Memorial Library System, an insurance agent or the City of Garland Engineering Department.

PROPERTY PROTECTION

Do not wait for a flood to occur. Act now to protect property from flood damage. Various alternatives are available to help minimize flooding. If the floor level of a property or structure is lower than the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) located on the City’s Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), consider ways to prevent flooding by retrofitting the building. Retrofitting measures include:

- Elevating the building so that flood waters do not enter or reach any damageable portion of it.
- “Dry floodproofing” to make the building walls and floor watertight so water does not enter.
- “Wet floodproofing” to modify the structure and locate the contents so that when flood waters enter the building there is little or no damage.
- Preventing basement flooding from sewer backup or sump pump failure.

Information on retrofitting is available through the Nicholson Memorial Library System, as well as on the Internet. Note that retrofitting may require a permit from the Building Inspection Department.

FLOOD PROTECTION ASSISTANCE

For information on flood protection assistance, contact the Engineering Department at (972) 205-2170. Services provided include:

- Names of contractors/consultants who are knowledgeable or experienced in retrofitting

- techniques and construction.
- Information on how to select a qualified contractor and what recourse residents have if they are dissatisfied with a contractor’s performance.
- Site visits to review flooding, drainage and sewer problems and advice to property owners.

Advice and assistance on retrofitting techniques, such as elevating buildings above flood levels or the Base Flood Elevation (BFE), dry floodproofing, wet floodproofing and protecting basements from sewer backup. Also, information on the installation of barriers, levees, and floodwalls around individual buildings or structures is available.

NATURAL AND BENEFICIAL FUNCTIONS

Garland’s undisturbed floodplain areas and wetlands provide a variety of benefits to the human and natural ecological systems. They provide flood storage and conveyance, and reduce flood velocities and peak levels. Water quality is improved through the wetlands’ ability to filter nutrients and impurities from runoff and process organic wastes. Local streams and wetlands provide breeding and feeding grounds for fish and wildlife, create and enhance waterfowl habitat, and protect habitats for rare and endangered species. Garland’s floodplains also provide open space for various recreational uses.

DRAINAGE SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

It is illegal in Garland to dump any type of debris into a stream, river or drainage ditch. Debris may become entangled in culverts, shallow streambeds, or drainage ditches, causing the flow of water to back up. Residents and property owners also should keep drainage channels and ditches on their property free of debris, foliage and vegetation that would impede the flow of water. Debris dumping may be reported to the Engineering or Stormwater departments by calling (972) 205-2170 or (972) 205-2180.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

All development in Garland must be permitted and must conform to all requirements of the City and any other applicable public agencies. Contact the City’s Planning Department at (972) 205-2445 or Engineering Department at (972) 205-2170 for advice before building, filling or developing. The flood damage prevention ordinance (Code of Ordinances, Chapter 31, Article VII) has special provisions regulating construction and other developments within floodplains. Without these provisions, flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) will not be available to Garland property owners. Development in the floodplain without a permit is illegal; such activity may be reported to the Engineering Department at (972) 205-2170.

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the City of Garland requires that any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvement of a structure (the cost of which equals or exceeds 50% of the market value of the structure before the start of the construction of the improvement) must conform or meet the same construction requirements as a new building and be constructed above the minimum Base Flood Elevation (BFE) listed on the City’s Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM).

Substantial damage means damage of any origin sustained by a building or structure when the cost of restoring the building to its pre-damaged condition would equal or exceed 50% of the market value of the building before the damage occurred. Substantial damage is determined regardless of the actual repair work performed. The City of Garland requires by ordinance that any substantial improvement or substantial damage improvement must have a building permit. Building permit information is available at the Building Inspection Department, 800 W. Main St., or by calling (972) 205-2300.

FLOOD SAFETY TIPS

Learn the safest route from your home or business to higher, safer ground, but stay tuned to reports of changing flood conditions.

- If emergency officials tell you to evacuate or leave your home, go immediately to a safe shelter, hotel or relative’s house.
- Turn of all utilities, gas and electricity at the main switch. Stay away from power lines and electrical lines. Be alert for gas leaks.
- Do not walk through flowing water. Drowning is the number one cause of flood related deaths. Currents can be deceptive; six inches of moving water can knock you off your feet.
- Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in their cars than in any other location. Vehicles also push water into homes and cause additional property damage.

FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM

If flooding is imminent and evacuation of any part of Garland is advised, the Office of Emergency Management will notify residents through CodeRed, a 24-hour automated telephone system. A pre-recorded message will inform affected residents who are signed up for CodeRed of flooding hazards or other emergency situations, including any action necessary such as evacuation. To sign up for CodeRed, visit GarlandTx.gov and click on the CodeRed icon and follow the prompts. Additionally, the City will receive information from NOAA Weather Station Radio broadcasts weather information at 162.400 MHZ 24 hours a day from the National Weather Service Offices in Fort Worth.

FLOOD INFORMATION

Information on flooding, flood maps, mandatory flood insurance purchase requirements, flood insurance requirements and flood zone determinations is available at the Engineering Department, 800 W. Main St., or by calling (972) 205-2170.

Elevation certificates of properties in the Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA’s) are on file at the Engineering Department, and copies are available upon request. If a property does not have an Elevation Certificate on file, or if the existing certificate has been superseded by map changes, a new Elevation Certificate may be obtained from the City or from a private surveyor. Fees for the completion of a new certificate may apply; contact the Engineering Department for more details. Real time river gauge information is available at USGS.gov.

FEMA.gov • NOAA.gov • Weather.gov

Garland Civic Theatre to Present ‘The Nerd’ and ‘Legally Blonde the Musical’



The Nerd – Considered to be one of the funniest plays ever written, *The Nerd* is an extraordinarily inventive, side-splitting comedy that will have you laughing in the aisles. The action centers on the hilarious dilemma of a young architect who is visited by a man who saved his life in Vietnam. The visitor turns out to be an incredibly inept, hopelessly stupid nerd who outstays his welcome with a vengeance!

Performances will be held at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 27; 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 and 11; and 8 p.m. Oct. 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27. Tickets are \$17-\$22 with group rates available.



Legally Blonde The Musical – After Elle Woods' boyfriend dumps her for someone a little more serious she puts down the credit card, hits the books, and sets out to go where no Delta Nu has gone before: Harvard Law School to become *Legally Blonde*! This Hollywood blockbuster turned feel-good Broadway musical proves that fashion-savvy girls can be taken seriously and reminds us along the way that being true to yourself never goes out of style. *Legally Blonde the Musical* will take you from the social whirl of California campus life to Harvard's halls of justice with heroine Elle, her Chihuahua, Bruiser, and the bull-dog-toting-hairdresser Paulette.

Performances will be held at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 18, 25, and Dec. 2 and 8; 7:30 p.m. Nov. 15 and 29; and 8 p.m. Nov. 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 and Dec. 1, 7 and 8. Tickets are \$17-\$22 with group rates available.

To purchase tickets, visit or call the Granville Arts Center Box Office at 972-205-2790 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Garland Symphony Orchestra



The sensuous rhythms and exotic melodies of Spain will highlight the 24th concert season of the Garland Symphony Orchestra (GSO), which will run Oct. 19-May 10. Titled *Viva España*, the 2012-13 season will feature native Iberian composers such as Albéniz, Granados and Turina, as well as many composers from other nations.

Several international guest soloists will collaborate with the orchestra including native Spaniard Daniel del Pino playing Falla's *Nights in the Gardens of Spain*, Mexican-born guitarist Cecilio Perera offering Rodrigo's *Concierto de Aranjuez*, and Curt Thompson, the GSO's Concertmaster, performing Sarasate's *Carmen Fantasy*.

- **Oct. 19, 8 p.m.** – The opening concert will feature Chabrier's *España* and Ravel's *Bolero*, as well as Albeniz's *Rhapsodia Espanola for Piano and Orchestra*.
- **Nov. 16, 8 p.m.** – Concert II will feature Mozart's *Overture to Don Giovanni* and Falla's *Suite No. 1 from The Three-Cornered Hat* and will be led by guest conductor Maestra Juanzi Yi.

All performances will be held at the Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. For more information, visit GarlandSymphony.org or call 972-926-0611.

Free Movies at The Plaza Theatre



Enjoy free screenings of the following movies at the Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.

- **Oct. 5** – *American Graffiti*, 7 p.m.
- **Oct. 6** – *Cat Ballou*, 7 p.m.
- **Nov. 9** – *Pork Chop Hill*, 2 p.m.
- **Nov. 9** – *The Dirty Dozen*, 5 p.m.

Visit GarlandArts.com to stay up-to-date on arts in Garland. Email theatre rental inquiries to Arts@GarlandTx.gov.

Performing Arts Shows and Events

Plaza Theatre, 521 W. State St.



Joseph Hall's Elvis Tribute • 7 p.m. Oct. 19. Don't miss this opportunity to see this *America's Got Talent* finalist recognized by Elvis Presley Enterprises as one of the top tribute artists in the world. Tickets are \$20 and all seats are reserved. Tickets may be purchased by calling 402-617-4477 or mail a check to Joseph Hall, PO Box 7090, Branson, MO, 65615. For more information, email hallkk@aol.com.

Messy • 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Oct. 21. Three female coworkers dislike each other, but they hate their male chauvinist boss even more. So much more that they become friends just to come up with ways to get rid of him while back-stabbing one another along the way. For tickets, go to JaySaharaProduction.com.

PaPa Was A Rollin' Stone • 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Oct. 27. Joe Frazier thought he had it all—money, prestige, women, cars and houses. He thought he didn't need God in his life...until God showed him differently. Visit EventBrite.com, TylerProductionsGospelStagePlays.org or call 214-722-7566.

It's Christmas, Carol • 7 p.m. Nov. 29. It's holiday time and the clock is ticking. The elves are happily bustling around, except for Carol, the lead elf. Join the

fun as the ghosts of holidays past, present and future pay a visit to Carol and help her find her holiday spirit. Presented by The Classical Center at Vial. Tickets will be available at the door for \$5 or call 972-240-3710.

Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St.

Creations in Color • Oct. 1-31. This photography exhibit will feature photos taken at places such as Disney World, Scarecrow Festival (Orange, Texas), Dallas Arboretum, and gardens in North Carolina. John Hall and May Beth Smith invite the public for coffee and treats from 10 a.m. to noon Oct. 19. Viewing hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and during all performances.

Noche de Paso Doble • 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27. Lakeshore Symphonic Winds (LSW) will present *Noche de Paso Doble* through Madrid-based composer Joaquin Anaya Garrido. The concert will feature the North American premiere of several of Anaya Garrido's most recent works. Tickets are \$5 and all seats are general admission. For details, visit LakeShoreSymphonicWinds.com.

The Nutcracker • Nov. 30-Dec. 2. Presented by the Dallas Ballet Company. Performances are set for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 30; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 1; and 2 p.m. Dec. 2. Tickets are \$20 and will go on sale Nov. 1. Call 972-205-2790 or visit DallasBalletCenter.com for more information.



Gibbons Creek Plant Tour



(From left to right) Council members Tim Campbell, Anita Goebel, Lori Barnett Dodson and B.J. Williams.

Recently elected Garland City Council Members Tim Campbell, Anita Goebel, B.J. Williams and Council Member Lori Barnett Dodson, toured the Texas Municipal Power Agency's Gibbons Creek Power Plant. The City of Garland is a 47% owner in this coal-fired plant. The Council members had the opportunity to see and ask questions about the plant's operations. They even took in the view of the entire facility from the 21st floor of the plant. Following the tour, they were provided the opportunity to sit in on part of the board of directors meeting.

Theft of Utility Services is Against the Law

Theft of electric or water service is against the law and dangerous. It happens when customers illegally tamper with a meter to obtain utility service. They may think they are getting away with the theft, but the Utility Customer Service Department has a skilled investigative team that uncovers most tampering situations.

“Despite how dangerous the activity is, some residents steal utility services,” said Billing and Revenue Supervisor Derek Burt. “To find and stop the theft, we actively investigate leads provided by concerned neighbors and our system resources.”

If caught, the account holder will have to pay a significant amount to have the service restored, including a \$250 administrative penalty and possibly the cost of a new meter. In most cases, customers will be back-billed for unmetered usage. Restitution can even be pursued through the court system.

If you suspect someone of electricity or water theft in Garland, please contact the Utility Theft Hotline at 972-205-2635 and report the details so the situation can be investigated. Callers may remain anonymous.

City of Garland Annual Auction and Impound Auction

Impound Auction
Oct. 19 and Nov. 16
City Impound Lot, 1630 Commerce St.
Gates open – 8:30 a.m. | Sale starts – 9:30 a.m.

Vehicles must be removed from the Impound Lot by noon the following Monday. All vehicles will be sold for cash to the highest bidder without warranty or guarantees and are offered as/where is. Auctions may be cancelled without notice. Call 972-205-2415 for more information or visit GarlandPurchasing.com.

Fleet Vehicles and Equipment
Oct. 20
1725 Gasoline Alley
Gates open – 8 a.m. | Sale starts – 9:30 a.m.

All sales are “as is/where is” with no warranty. Cash or check with bank letter of guaranty. Notice: There will not be any items from the Police Property Room (such as bikes) or City Surplus Property (such as office furniture). Property Room and City Surplus are offered for sale at PublicSurplus.com. City reserves the right to add or pull any item at any time. Visit JoePippinAuctioneers.com.



Firewheel Golf Park



Adams Pro Tour Series Returns to Firewheel

The Firewheel at Garland Classic is a professional golf tournament conducted by the Adams Golf Pro Tour Series. The 54-hole tournament will run Oct. 9-11. For more information, visit AdamsGolfProTourSeries.com or call 972-535-0514. This event is open to the public.

Book your next event at Firewheel!

- Several meeting spaces for any type of party
- Rooms that accommodate from 15 to 400 guests
- Great catering menus
- Wonderful staff to help serve your every need
- Call 972-205-3652

Firewheel Golf Park: The Professional’s Choice

Hundreds of area golfers enjoy the fairways, greens and amenities of Garland’s Firewheel Golf Park each year. The 63-hole course is one of the finest municipal golf facilities in the southwest, including rolling terrain, beautiful oak and pecan trees, Bent grass greens and water features.

Elite golfers from around the nation are discovering this treasure of the links. Throughout the years, Firewheel has welcomed PGA Qualifying School tournaments, the NITRO Texas State Open, and a variety of qualifying events for the U.S. Open and the U.S. Amateur. In September, the Texas Golf Association hosted its Texas Mid-Amateur Last Chance Qualifier event on Firewheel’s Bridges Course. The TGA is one of the largest and most respected golf associations in the nation and brought 65 players trying to qualify for eight available spots in the Mid-Amateur Championship in Dallas. Oct. 9-11, the Adams Golf Pro Tour Series will come to Firewheel. The tour will provide an avenue for professional golfers to prepare for the PGA Tour.

“Firewheel Golf Park has a wonderful staff and understands customer service,” said Gary DeSerrano, president of Adams Pro Golf Tour Series. “They take pride in hosting special events and we look forward to returning to Firewheel each year.”

For more information, visit GolfFirewheel.com or call 972-205-3652.



Library Programs and Events

Children & Family Programs

Fall Storytimes Schedule • Storytimes will be held through Dec. 1 at the following library locations:

Central Library, 625 Austin St.

- Toddler Storytime, Mondays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Mondays, 11 a.m.

North Garland Branch Library, 3845 N. Garland Ave.

- Wee Read, Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.
- Toddler Storytime, Fridays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Fridays, 11 a.m.

South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.

- Toddler Storytime, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.
- Preschool Storytime, Wednesdays, 11 a.m.
- Family Storytime, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

Walnut Creek Branch Library, 3319 Edgewood Drive

- Family Storytime, Tuesdays, 7 p.m.



Celebrate Teen Read Week • Teens have voiced their choice! This past summer, Garland teens nominated their favorite reads. The results are now in. Pick up a Garland Top Ten Teen Reads bookmark at any Garland public library location Oct. 14-20 during Teen Read Week.

Family Movie Time • 3 to 5 p.m. Oct. 27, Central Library, 625 Austin St. Bring a blanket and attend a free movie with your family. The afternoon’s film will be a popular, full-length animated children’s movie. Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the event, and seating will be limited. No registration is required, and all ages may attend. Free popcorn and water will be available while supplies last. For more information, including the title of the movie, call 972-205-2517.

International Gaming Day • 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3, South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd. The Nicholson Memorial Library System will join other public libraries across the world in celebrating International Gaming Day. Participants will choose from different video game systems such as Wii and Playstation 2, in addition to various board and card games. The event is open to game enthusiasts of all ages. Registration is not required. For more information, call 972-205-3934.

Adult Programs

Book Discussion Group • 7 p.m., Central Library, 625 Austin St. Booklovers are invited to join Page Turners—the library’s book discussion group—which meets one Thursday a month. Call 972-205-2502. Upcoming discussions include:

- **Oct. 25** – *In the Garden of Beasts* by Erik Larson
- **Nov. 15** – *Dreams of Joy* by Lisa See

Holiday Card Crafting Workshop 2 p.m. Nov. 10, Central Library, 625 Austin St. Learn how to make holiday cards. The workshop will consist of a demonstration of greeting card construction techniques followed by an extended period of craftwork. Participants may create

up to five individual cards of different designs. All cards will include an envelope. The library will provide the craft supplies. The program is limited to 20 participants ages 18 and older. Registration is required. Call 972-205-2502.

Senior Social Hour @ the Library • 2 p.m., Central Library, 625 Austin St. The Nicholson Memorial Library System offers Senior Social Hour @ the Library—a free program series for senior citizens age 55 and older sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors open 30 minutes prior to performances. Call 972-205-2502. Upcoming performances are as follows:

- **Oct. 25** – Bill Raley: Short Stories—Tall Tales. Bill Raley will discuss the creative process that shapes memory and experience into a story while honoring his guiding principle: never let the facts get in the way of the truth. He has appeared as a featured storyteller at the Texas Storytelling Festival, as well as at area colleges, senior centers, civic events, and other festivals.
- **Nov. 15** – Dan Gibson: From the Old World to the New. Dan Gibson, storyteller and musician, will present stories and songs with overseas origins. He is a self-taught banjo player who became a full-time storyteller in 2001.



2012 United Way Campaign



City of Garland
Thank you for your support of
Children's Medical Center as we
strive to make life better for children!

As a pre-cursor to the upcoming City of Garland 2012 United Way Campaign, the Steering Committee teamed up with Children’s Medical Center to hold a busy books drive to further emphasize volunteering in support of this year’s theme—Garland Gives Back. With the help of City of Garland employees, the committee was able to deliver 1,435 busy books to Children’s Medical Centers’ Dallas location. Busy books help keep kids entertained while waiting or receiving treatment at Children’s Medical Center.

Technology Programs Available at the Library

The following workshops and classes are part of the library’s Tech-Know How program series, which offers educational technology events each month.

Family History Month Genealogy Workshop

2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 13

South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.

Professional Librarian Teresa Roberts will teach attendees how to explore and search Ancestry Library Edition, an electronic resource available in Garland libraries. Ancestry provides access to census records from all over the world including the entire collection of U.S. Federal Censuses from 1790-1940, in addition to vital records such as birth, marriage and death records; immigration and travel records; and military records. Registration is required. Call 972-205-3931.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered: An Intro to Email

7 p.m. Oct. 11 and Nov. 8

Central Library, 625 Austin St.

Learn the basic functions of email, discover how to detect junk email, and sign up for a Gmail account.

Up and Running: Getting on the Internet

10 a.m. Oct. 20 and 7 p.m. Nov. 29

Central Library, 625 Austin St.

Discover the ins and outs of getting online, identify website components and practice basic Internet searches.

**I Plugged It In Now What?
Getting Started with Computers**

10 a.m. Nov. 17

South Garland Branch Library, 4845 Broadway Blvd.

Develop basic computer skills such as using a mouse, opening and closing programs, and desktop navigation.



Fall for Garland

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. | Oct. 6 | Historic Downtown Garland Square

The Garland Downtown Business Association will present Fall for Garland, a festival with live music, a car show, children’s activities and shopping. For details visit DowntownGarland.org or call 214-734-8197.

Recreation Center Programs and Events



Boot Camp • Oct. 1-31, Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 to 7 p.m., ages 13 and up, \$52 per person, Audubon Recreation Center, 342 W. Oates Road. Get up and get outside for an invigorating workout including fitness instruction, motivational training, and energizing activities. Call 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.

Circuit Training • Oct. 3-29, Mondays and Wednesdays, 7 to 7:45 p.m., ages 16 and up, \$42 per person, Granger Recreation Center, 1310 W. Avenue F. This multiple stage circuit teaches interval training techniques that minimize rest between sets to maximize results. Call 972-205-2771 or grc@GarlandTx.gov.

Kickboxing • Oct. 3-31, Wednesdays, 5:15 to 7:30 p.m., ages 9 and up, \$27 per person, Fields Recreation Center, 1701 Dairy Road. Motivating demonstrations and energizing exercise focus on essential aerobic kickboxing movement and conditioning. Call 972-205-3090 or frc@GarlandTx.gov.

Violin • Oct. 4-25, Thursdays, 4 to 5 p.m., ages 9 and up, \$42 per person, Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Drive. Learn basics of violin including proper stance, how to hold the bow, finger placement on strings, and bowing patterns. Call 972-205-2770 or brc@GarlandTx.gov.



Beginner Piano • Oct. 16-Nov. 13, Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., ages 5-10, \$67 per child, Holford Recreation Center, 2314 Homestead Place. Prime your young musician for musical success through creative explorations, love of music, and a core of music theory instilled through body and mind. A \$12 book fee is payable to instructor. Call 972-205-2772 or hrc@GarlandTx.gov.



Fitness 101 • Ongoing, Monday-Thursday, by appointment, ages 12-15, \$25 per person, Hollabaugh Recreation Center, 3925 W. Walnut St. Learn correct techniques to working out while gaining knowledge on how the body functions. Upon completion of training, participants are eligible to purchase The Body Shops Fitness Pass. Call 972-205-2721 or hhrcc@GarlandTx.gov.

Special Events

Garland’s Gone Camping:

A Family Campout • Oct. 20-21, \$30 per family of 4, Audubon Park, 342 W. Oates Road. Grab a tent and sleeping bags for a night under the stars with family and friends. Enjoy a night hike, games, s’mores, a camp fire, and an outdoor movie. Registration required by Oct. 17. For more information, call 972-205-3991 or arc@GarlandTx.gov.



The Atrium Named ‘Venue of the Year’



The Atrium at The Granville Arts Center has been named the “Venue of the Year” by The Dallas/ Fort Worth Chapter of the Association of Wedding Professionals. For information on The Atrium or to schdule an event, call 972-205-3981.

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October

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 City Council Work Session and Meeting	2 Texas Night Out	3	4	5 American Graffiti – Plaza Theatre	6 Tree Power Free Tree Giveaway Cat Ballou – Plaza Theatre
				The Nerd – Granville Arts Center		
7	8 Columbus Day Plan Commission	9 District 3 and 4 Update Broadcasts Garland Youth Council	10	11	12	13
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14	15 City Council Work Session	16 City Council Meeting	17	18 Tenant's Rights & Responsibilities Workshop	19 Impound Auction Garland Symphony Orchestra – Granville Arts Center Joseph Hall/ Elvis Tribute – Plaza Theatre	20 City of Garland Annual Auction Garland Opry – Plaza Theatre
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21 Messy – Plaza Theatre	22 Plan Commission	23	24	25 Senior Social Hour @ the Library	26	27 Neighborhood Summit Lakeshore Symphonic Winds – Granville Arts Center PaPa was a Rolling Stone – Plaza Theatre
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28	29	30	31 Halloween			

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Daylight Savings Time Ends	5 City Council Work Session	6 Election Day City Council Meeting Garland Youth Council	7	8 GNMA – The Nuts & Bolts of a Neighborhood Association	9 <i>Pork Chop Hill</i> and <i>The Dirty Dozen</i> – Plaza Theatre	10 Compost 101
11 Veterans Day	12 Plan Commission	13 Council Districts 5 and 6 Update Broadcasts GNMA – Conflict Resolution	14	15 Senior Social Hour @ the Library	16 Impound Auction <i>Garland Symphony Orchestra</i> – Granville Arts Center	17 <i>David Allen Elvis Tribute</i> – Plaza Theatre
				<i>Legally Blonde</i> – Granville Arts Center		
18	19 City Council Work Session	20 City Council Meeting	21	22 Thanksgiving Day – City offices closed	23	24
<i>Legally Blonde</i> – Granville Arts Center					<i>Legally Blonde</i> – Granville Arts Center	
25	26 Plan Commission	27	28	29 <i>It’s Christmas, Carol</i> – Plaza Theatre	30 <i>Nutcracker</i> – Granville Arts Center	
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